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Elisha Hunt

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Old Portrait of Lincoln to Be Displayed

SANTA MONICA, Feb. 11.—A portrait of Abraham Lincoln, painted in his first Presidential term by Elisha Hunt, portrait painter of the period, will be brought out for its annual exhibition tomorrow by Walter G. Edborg, Santa Monica shoemaker, at his shop, 1456 Third street.

Edborg inherited the painting and its original frame from his father, Gus Edborg, who acquired it when he bought a basement store in Bloomington, Ill.

"In his circuit-riding days," Edborg said, "Lincoln became acquainted with Louis Bible, who at that time ran a shoe shop. Lincoln used to drop in and swap stories with the cobbler. Hunt, the painter, also was a frequent visitor at the shop, where he met Lincoln. At Bible's suggestion Hunt painted the portrait."

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